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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Meeting with Col. Cabas re USAF FOG Program

1. At my request a meeting was held on 2 November with Col. Cabas to discuss the USAF FOG program. [redacted] and Col. Gibbs of the Project staff attended, and Col. Cabas and L/C Gordon of HQ USAF. At a previous meeting which Mr. Bissell and Col. Gibbs attended with Generals Twining and Everest (25 October), Gen. Everest in agreement with Gen. Twining stated that Detachment C need not leave [redacted] as we had been attempting to do under a somewhat forced method to make way for the FOG, because Gen. Twining and Gen. Everest had that afternoon talked with SAC Headquarters and it was decided that the USAF FOG would not use [redacted] as an initial training site. This decision was made because Del Rio had been chosen as the permanent AF base to handle their operation. Since this information was not passed down to lower AF units, they were still planning on going into [redacted]. This I know from requested actions and communications on this subject. Accordingly I put pressure on Col. Geary's office (L/C Gordon) to have a showdown in USAF Headquarters as to who knew what the program was. As a result of this Gen. Bergquist saw Gen. Everest and reported to our Project through L/C Gordon that Gen. Everest had been in error and that Air Force did plan to go into [redacted]. With this information, I immediately pressed for an early meeting with Col. Cabas. This is the meeting which is the subject of this memorandum.

2. We discussed some of the problems which this Project saw as a result of the FOG program and some of the problems we saw confronting the Air Force FOG itself. Col. Cabas stated that the SAC people were coming in here Thursday or Friday (8 or 9 Nov.) to discuss the whole problem and anything we decided today would be premature, and also that they were not up to date on the latest plans. Accordingly we departed the meeting with the idea of meeting with the HQ USAF and SAC people on 8 or 9 November at which time definite information could be arrived at, definite decisions made, and a course of action drawn up.

USAF review(s) completed.

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